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Application No.: 09/153,621

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Applicant: Roger Q. Smith

Group Art Unit: 2841

Examiner: T. Dinh

Title: Heavy-Duty Audio Equipment

Attorney Docket: P-US-TN1444

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**PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)**

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for a correction of error in a nonjoinder of inventor in the above identified patent application. It is respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office add previously unnamed Donald W. Zurwelle, Daniel F. Cuffaro, Brian J. Matt, and Charles Sears as inventors of this application.

Enclosed herewith is a Statement from each person being added as an inventor that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intent on his part; a Declaration by the inventors as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 (or as permitted by §§ 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47); a new Assignment

executed by all inventors to be recorded by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; and written assent by the Assignee.

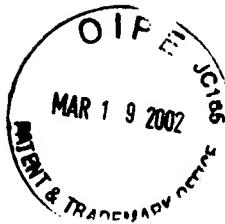
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$130.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) and any additional fees which may be required to effect this communication or to maintain pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 02-2548. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for this purpose.

If the examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (410) 716-2368.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: March 12, 2002
Black & Decker Inc.
701 E. Joppa Road, TW-199
Towson, MD 21286
(410) 716-2368

By: 
Adan Ayala, Esq.
Senior Group Patent Counsel
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STATEMENT OF ADDITIONAL INVENTOR

Dear Sir:

I, Brian J. Matt, believe that I am a co-inventor of the above-identified patent application and that I was inadvertently not named as an inventor. The inventorship error of failing to include Donald W. Zurwelle, Daniel F. Cuffaro, Brian J. Matt and Charles Sears as inventors of this application occurred without any deceptive intent on the part of Applicant.

Date: 20 DECEMBER 2001

Brian J. Matt
Inventor



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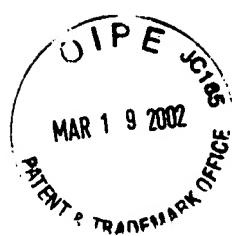
Dear Sir:

I, Daniel F. Cuffaro, believe that I am a co-inventor of the above-identified patent application and that I was inadvertently not named as an inventor. The inventorship error of failing to include Donald W. Zurwelle, Daniel F. Cuffaro, Brian J. Matt and Charles Sears as inventors of this application occurred without any deceptive intent on the part of Applicant.

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Daniel F. Cuffaro
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Dear Sir:

I, Charles Sears, believe that I am a co-inventor of the above-identified patent application and that I was inadvertently not named as an inventor. The inventorship error of failing to include Donald W. Zurwelle, Daniel F. Cuffaro, Brian J. Matt and Charles Sears as inventors of this application occurred without any deceptive intent on the part of Applicant.

Date: 1/4/02


Charles Sears
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Donald W. Zurwelle
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**CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO
CHANGE OF INVENTORSHIP**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a), Black & Decker Inc., owner by Assignment of the above identified patent application by the Assignment recorded by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 2, 1998, in Reel 9560, Frame 0625, hereby consents to the amendment of the inventorship of this application as requested in the accompanying papers. Attached is a copy of a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) establishing the right of the Assignee to take action in this case. I, Adan Ayala, have the authority to act on behalf of Black & Decker Inc.

Dated: March 12, 2002

By:



Adan Ayala, Esq.
Senior Group Patent Counsel
Black & Decker Inc.

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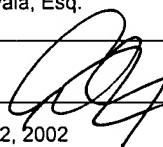
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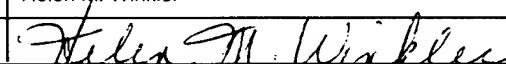
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